



Attorney Docket No. 1018798-000171

Patent

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**
Anna-Carin Elfstrom et al.)
Application No.: 10/612,154) Group Art Unit: 3761
Filing Date: July 3, 2003) Examiner: MELANIE JO HAND
Title: ABSORBENT PRODUCT FOR MEN) Confirmation No.: 4120
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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.
- Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$ 65 \$ 130 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed.
- Also enclosed is: an Interview Summary
- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$ 395 \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
- Applicant(s) previously submitted _____ on _____ for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _____, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

No additional claim fee is required.

An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	35	33	2	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$ 100
Independent Claims	3	3	0	x \$ 200 (1201)	0
<input type="checkbox"/> If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$ 360 (1203)					\$ 0
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 100
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 100

Charge _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.

A check in the amount of _____ is enclosed for the fee due.

Charge \$100.00 to credit card for the fee due. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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The Examiner is thanked for the courtesy of the Interview granted May 17, 2006. During the Interview, Applicants' attorney explained the purpose behind the submission of drawings that was later filed on June 6, 2006. See the explanation included with the Submission of Drawings filed on June 6, 2006. In addition, Applicants' attorney discussed the prior art Rooyakkers with the Examiner. Applicants' attorney explained the reasons why they believed that Rooyakkers did not anticipate the claimed invention. Such reasons were similar to those set forth in the response filed on May 1, 2006.

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